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Applicant : Smith et al.  
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

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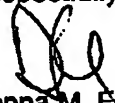
Applicant hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time necessary so that the accompanying Amendment is timely filed.

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